IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Yu et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2001 for 5 months from March 20, 2001, to and including August 20, 2001. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the following amount to cover the cost of the extension:

| | \$110.00 | (Extension for response within first month) |
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The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional required fee or credit any overpayment in connection with this submission to our Deposit Account

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